# SC Institutional Galleries

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(1901-1970) selected from the collections of the Smithsonian American Art Museum, the Florence Museum Board of Trustees, the Johnson Collection, and a private collector in Denmark. This selection not only represents the range of distinct periods over the artist's prolific career, but it also offers a rare personal glimpse into the artist's relationship with the people and places of Florence, America, & Europe. In 1901, William H. Johnson was born in Florence, SC. At the age of 17, he traveled and studied in America and Europe, producing and exhibiting art that reflected the styles and attitudes of the world around him. Fearing the eminent onset of war in Europe, Johnson returned to the United States in 1938. Over the course of the next decade, his art transformed into the intense, "primitivist" style he is recognized for today. Both vibrant and somber, these abstracted paintings depict the African-American experience from both a historical and personal perspective. Today the Smithsonian American Art Museum owns more work by Johnson than any other single artist. In 2009, two of Johnson's works painted during the artist's 1944 visit to Florence, were among those chosen by First Lady Michelle Obama as decoration for the White House. Through Jan. 1, 2016 - "Selectionsfrom-the-Wright-Collection-of-Southern-Art". This exhibition features thirty works from the Florence County Museum's recently acquired Wright Collection of Southern Art. In its entirety, The Wright Collection of Southern Art features 141 works collected over 45 years by former Florence pathologist, Dr. Louis Wright. The collection was developed around the recognition of Southern Art as a viable facet of American expression and cultural development. It encompasses art produced over a 153-year period, from 1852 to 2005. At its center is work by noted artists like Thomas Hart Benton, Alfred Hutty, Helen Hyde, Florence native artist, William Henry Johnson, Alice Huger Smith, Anna Heyward Taylor, Elizabeth O'Neill Verner, Palmer Schoppe, Mary Whyte, & Stephen Scott Young. Community Gallery, Ongoing - This exhibit ntroduces visitors to the history of the museum and its formative collections. This gallery also exhibits the histories and diversity of the City of Florence, and the incorporated municipalities of Florence County. Additionally, the Community Gallery communicates the lives, stories and accomplishments of significant past and present citizens of Florence County and members of it's communities. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm, HaleySharpe Design. Pee Dee History Gallery, Ongoing - This is the largest gallery space in the facility, comprising 3,300 sq. ft. of exhibit space. This permanent collections gallery occupies the entire second floor. east wing of the building. Artifacts are supported by historical images and narrative interpretation, giving a comprehensive introduction to the Pee Dee region from prehistory to the present. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm, HaleySharpe Design.. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 2-5pm. Contact: 843/676-1200 or visit (www.flocomuseum.org).

Hyman Fine Arts Center, Francis Marion University, Florence. Through Aug. 12 - "Paintings by Mary Bentz Gilkerson". Gilkerson is a South Carolina contemporary artist who is passionate about landscape, the environment and sense of place. Her paintings and prints draw from the landscapes of rural Charleston, Edisto Island, the Ace Basin and the Congaree, focusing on the tension between the fragility of the environment and the power of the natural forces of earth and water. Gilkerson holds an MFA in drawing and painting from the University of South Carolina. A native South Carolinian, she lives and works in Columbia where she is a professor of art at Columbia College. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm. Contact: 843/661-1385 or at (http://departments. fmarion.edu/finearts/gallery.htm).

9am-1pm. Contact: 864/489-9119 or e-mail at (cavagallery@yahoo.com).

# Greenville

**Downtown Greenville -** "First Fridays," featuring a gallery crawl presented on the first Fri, of the month from 6-9pm. Visit galleries throughout the downtown area. For info: (www. fristfridaysonline.com).

Greenville County Museum of Art, 420 College Street, Greenville. Through July 5 - "The Fantastic World of Dan Yaccarino". Awardwinning artist Dan Yaccarino grew up in New Jersey, where he whiled away the hours with comic books, vintage cartoons and films, and toys. Today, children know Yaccarino from his books "The Fantastic Undersea Life of Jacques Cousteau" and "All the Way to America". Yaccarino has also captivated children and their parents with his animated television series 'Oswald". His work has been featured in a number of publications, including "The New York Times", "Rolling Stone", and "Time". The exhibit was organized by the National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature. Through Sept. 6 - "Sidney Dickinson and the Alabama Suite". Sidney Dickinson (1890 - 1980) studied with William Merritt Chase and George Bridgman at the Art Students League, where he later taught for more than 25 years. He exhibited extensively throughout the Northeast and was an active member of the National Academy of Design, serving as a jury member for a number of years before becoming a full Academician in 1927. **Ongoing -** "Grainger McKoy: Recovery Stroke". Grainger McKoy (born 1947) moved with his family at a young age to Sumter, South Carolina. McKoy attended Clemson University, earning a degree in zoology, while also studying architecture. After graduating, McKoy apprenticed for 18 months with the renowned bird carver Gilbert Maggioni in Beaufort, South Carolina. McKoy initially produced realistic carvings, but slowly began transforming these intricately carved birds into gravity-defying sculptures that played with form and space, while continuing to accurately render each species in detail. His work has been shown at the High Museum of Art, Brandywine River Museum, Brookgreen Gardens, and many other galleries. **Ongoing -** "South Carolina Icons". Consider the work of three African-American artists from South Carolina, David Drake, William H. Johnson, and Merton Simpson. Their work echoes the stories of slavery, the struggle for equality, and the Civil rights movement. Admission: Free. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-6pm and Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 864/271-7570 or at (www.greenvillemuseum.org).

Lipscomb Gallery, South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities, 15 University St., Greenville. **Ongoing -** We feature several exhibitions throughout each year - our own students and faculty, plus many guest artists. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm. Visitors are asked to sign in at the Administration Building's front desk before entering campus. Contact: 864/282-3777.

**Metropolitan Arts Council Gallery**, 16 Augusta Street, Greenville. **Ongoing -** Featuring works by Greenville area artists. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-5pm. Contact: 864/467-3132, or at (www.greenvillearts.com).

Museum & Gallery, Bob Jones University, Wade Hampton Boulevard, Greenville. Through Dec. Golden Age of Painting in the Low C tries". Works in this exhibit are not from South Carolina's Lowcountry region, but a dynamic representation of northern European artwork from the 1600s! The exhibit includes works on loan from New York private collector Lev Grzhonko. M&G curator John Nolan describes "The Golden Age" exhibition as "a great opportunity for M&G and the Greenville community," and notes the historical significance of the paintings to Greenville, stating, "I'm not aware of any loan exhibit that has come to our city having such a diverse selection of artists and genres from the Low Countries during the late sixteenth and the seventeenth centuries." In addition, while M&G's collection of Dutch art is focused largely on religious subjects, Nolan observes "the Golden Age exhibition allows M&G to feature a broader spectrum of what else was happening in this era of creative genius." Ongoing - "Likely and Unlikely Pairings," featuring a fascinating juxtaposition of art and mundane objects revealing a variety of viewpoints. Through this special comparative display, the unique presentation serves as an engaging tool for all viewers interested in understanding the many facets of art, culture, and thought. Ongoing - Permanent exhibition of the finest collection of religious art in America, including works by Rubens, Botticelli, and Van Dyck. Offering visitors a 60-minute audio-guided tour of over 40 favored works for a modest fee. Hours: Tue.-Sun., 2-5pm. Contact: 864/242-5100, Ext. 1050 or at (www. bjumg.org).



Work by Kristen T. Woodward

**RIVERWORKS Gallery**, Suite 202, Art Crossing on the Reedy River in downtown Greenville. **Through Aug. 7** - "Why Not Paper?," featuring an exhibit of works by Kristen T. Woodward. Receptions will be held on July 3 and Aug. 7, from 6-9pm. Woodward might answer, "Why Not Paper?" with "It must be paper." She explains "Paper suggests a skin that holds the memory of each fold, tear, or embedded element. Unlike a blank canvas or wood panel that waits for the image to be introduced, the paper work starts to carry visual information in its initial formation, before the first pigment is applied." Hours: Tue.-Fri., 1-5pm and Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: call 864/271-0679 or e-mail to (fleming.markel@gvltec.edu).

**Centre Stage Theatre Gallery**, 501 River Street, Greenville. **Ongoing -** Featuring works by visual art members of MAC. Exhibits are offered in collaboration with the Metropolitan Arts Council. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 2-6pm & 2 hr. prior to shows. Contact: MAC at 864/467-3132 or at (www.greenvillearts.com).

Whole Foods Market, café area, 1140 Woodruff Rd., Greenville. **Ongoing -** Featuring rotating exhibits of works by members of Upstate Visual Arts (changing every 60 days). Hours: Mon.-Thur., 8am-9pm; Fri. & Sat., 8am-10pm & Sun., 9am-9pm. Contact: 864/232-4433 or at (www.upstatevisualarts.org).

#### Hartsville

Hartsville Museum and Sculpture Courtyard 222 North Fifth Street, corner of Fifth Street and Home Avenue, Hartsville. Through Sept. 1 -"Swamp Fox Quilters Guild: Black & White, Plus One Exhibition". Ongoing - Housed in a 1930's Post Office Building, the museum has kept many of the unique architectural features of the building. The skylight, original to the building, has been retrofitted with stained glass panels depicting the flora and fauna significant to the area. The Sculpture Courtyard added in 2000 features many different types of sculpture. The Showcase Gallery presents special exhibits focusing on history, the arts or present day events. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm (closed from noon-1pm on Fri.) and Sat., 10am-2pm. Contact: 843/383-3005 or at (www.hartsvillemuseum.org).

#### Hilton Head Island Area

Hilton Head Regional Healthcare Gallery, Coastal Discovery Museum, at Honey Horn, off Highway 278, across from Gumtree Road. Hilton Head Island. Through July 18 - "Artists of Indigo Run". The fifteen talented Artists of Indigo Run, consisting of 20 artists, will present a variety of new 2D and 3D art works. The show will feature watercolors, oils, acrylics, basketry, sculpture, photography and fiber arts. Many vivid and lively works will be on display including abstracts, landscapes and still life. Ongoing - This beautiful 69-acre site will serve as the Museum's base for programs highlighting the cultural heritage and natural history of the Lowcountry. And, it will provide a signature venue for community events for people of all ages. The opening includes the renovation of a 6,000 sq. foot former hunting retreat, renamed the "Discovery House," containing the Museum's new interactive exhibits, temporary gallery space and community meeting rooms. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 9am-4:30pm & Sun., 11am-3pm. Contact: 843-689-6767 ext. 224 or at (www. coastaldiscovery.org).

### Johnsonville

Artisan Outpost, 151 E. Marion Street, old Johnsonville Public Library, Johnsonville. July 4 - Artisan Outpost, held the 1st Sat. of the month, is a venue for artists, jewelry makers, authors, blacksmiths, handcrafters, bakers, cooks, and gardeners to exhibit and sell their creations. Hours: 10am-4pm. Contact: Jackie Stasney at 843/621-1751or e-mail to (jemsbyjackies@aol. com).

Lake City



Work by Patz Fowle

Jones-Carter Gallery, of the Community Museum Society Inc, 105 Henry Street, next to The Bean Market, Lake City. Through Aug. 15 - "Contemporary Canines: Dogs in Southern Art," featuring works by Diane Kilgore Condon (Greenville, SC and courtesy of if ART Gallery in Columbia, SC), Janis Hobbs (Florence, SC), Craig Crawford (Swansea, SC), Patz Fowle (Hartsville, SC), Mike Fowle (Hartsville, SC), Elizabeth Graham (Florence, SC), and Alex Palkovich (Florence, SC), the exhibit explores the ways in which contemporary artists are using the canine subject within the context of their work. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-6pm & Sat., 11am-5pm. Contact: call 843-374-1505 or at (www.jonescartergallery.com).

The ArtFields Gallery, 110 East Main Street, downtown, Lake City. Through July 6 - "ArtFields Jr. Art Exhibit". Hours: Mon.-Thur., 9am-4:30pm and Fri., 10am-1pm. Contact: call 803/435-3860 or e-mail to (greaterlakecityartistsguild@gmail. com).

#### Lancaster

USC Lancaster Native American Studies Center, 119 South Main Street, Lancaster. Ongoing - The Center is 15,000 square foot facility in historic downtown Lancaster. Guests will have the opportunity to tour the NAS Center's gallery spaces, archives, classrooms, and archaeology, language, and audio-visual labs. Home to the world's largest collection of Catawba Indian pottery, the NAS Center will offer exhibits of regional Native American Art, classes and programs focused on Native American history, culture, archaeology, folklore, and language. Hours: Tue., Wed., Fri., & Sat., 10am-5pm; Thur., 10am-7pm; of Mon. by appt only. Contact: 803/313-7172 or visit (http://usclancaster.sc.edu/NAS/).

#### Laurens

The Artist's Coop, 113 E.Laurens St., on the Historic Downtown Square., Laurens. Ongoing - Featuring works by over 50 cooperatiave members, including paintings, jewlery, pottery and weavings. Also art classes for children and adults. Hours: Tue.-Fri.,10am-5:30pm & Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 864/984-9359 or at (www. laurensartistscoop.org).

# Marion

Marion County Museum, 101 Wilcox Avenue, Marion. Ongoing - Changing exhibits are displayed in two galleries downstairs. These can be local exhibits, or traveling exhibits from the South Carolina State Museum's collections. The Magnolia Room of the museum is furnished with lovely antiques once used in the Aiken-Rhett House in Charleston. These pieces were a gift from the Charleston Museum. The upstairs galleries feature a turn-of-the-century classroom, a farm room, and a variety of displays concerning the people and places of Marion County. Hours: Tues.-Fri., 9am-noon & 1-5pm. Contact: 843/423-8299 or at (http://www.marionsc.org/musem).

# Fort Mill

Fort Mill History Museum, 310 N White Street, Fort Mill. Ongoing - Our mission is to promote the collection, preservation, educational interpretation, and display of those artifacts, documents, and events most representative of Fort Mill, South Carolina - its pre-history and history, its people and institutions, and its cultural and economic development. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 803/802-3646 or at (www.fortmillhistorymuseum.org).

# Gaffney

# Cherokee Alliance of Visual Artists Gal-

**lery**, 210 West Frederick Street, located in the former Old Post Office building one street over from the Main Street with the City of Gaffney Visitors Center, Gaffney. **Ongoing -** Featuring works in a varierty of media by Cherokee County artists. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm & Sat.,

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Walter Greer Gallery, at the Arts Center of Coastal Carolina, 14 Shelter Cove Lane, Hilton Head Island. Through July 25 - "Close to Home," featuring a collection of works by LA Barrett. A reception will be held on July 8, from 5-7pm. An artist, student, teacher, and entrepreneur - above all other definitions, LouAnne Barrett has always had the sense that she was meant to be creative. As a girl, she found joy in the solitude of a self-designed studio in the attic of her parents' home. From early art classes at Toledo Art Museum to obtaining her Master's Degree in Integrated Arts, her focus has always been the passion and joy of her creative nature. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 843/681-5060 or at (www.artleaguehhi.org).

# McCormick

The MACK, McCormick Arts Council Gallery, 115 Main Street, located in the historic Keturah Hotel, McCormick. Ongoing, The Artisans Gallery Shop at the MACK - Featuring works of over 30 artisans including paintings, pottery, jewelry, jackets, gourds, woodworking, textiles, soaps and more. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 864/852-3216 or at (http://mccormickarts.org/).

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